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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Norio HAGA et al.

Serial No.: 09/171,236

Filed: July 13, 1999

Title: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE AND **IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD** 

Art Unit: 2672

Examiner: M. Good-Johnson

### PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a ONEmonth extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated May 17, 2004, or until September 17, 2004.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment form for \$110.00 to pay the ONE-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(1).

The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 15, 2004

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